

continuing teacher training model that includes a one-week summer institute and ongoing site-based follow-up training to boost the ability and confidence of elementary and middle school teachers; implementation into demographically diverse schools of curriculum-aligned learning lab systems that have been shown to improve student scores in math, science, and technology; and research and evaluation of results in accordance with Idaho and national assessment standards.

Project Name: Madison County Memorial Hospital Renovation

Amount Received: \$350,000

Account: Health Resources and Services Administration Health Facilities and Services

Recipient: Madison County Memorial Hospital

Recipient's Address: 450 East Main, Rexburg, ID 83440

Description: Madison Memorial Hospital will initiate the implementation of the Electronic Medical Record (EMR) System into Physician Clinics that feed into Madison Memorial Hospital. Information from the EMR helps the clinician make informed decisions. As the patient status is entered into this EMR, the information increases staff efficiencies through faster transcription times, nursing notes, lab results, radiology and other electronic sources. This system will make it easier for physicians and clinicians to comply with all regulations by enabling them to keep their records up to date. Patient safety will be increased by developing a paperless electronic medical record environment where clinical information can be readily shared via electronic transactions with all entities within the Madison Memorial Hospital network.

Project Name: Purchase of Biochemistry and Microbiology Laboratory Equipment

Amount Received: \$400,000

Account: Health Resources and Services Administration Health Facilities and Services

Recipient: Idaho State University

Recipient's Address: 921 South 8th Avenue, Stop 8007, Pocatello, ID 83209-8007

Description: Modern instrumentation is essential to improving both the Biochemistry and Microbiology programs at Idaho State University (ISU). This request will enable the purchase of the required instrumentation needed for courses in biochemistry, chemistry laboratories, microbiology and biology. More than 400 students per year would gain access to state of the art instrumentation through this request, improving both the quality of their educational experience and the quality of research in these scientific fields that can be pursued.

Project Name: St. Luke's Regional Medical Center's Children Health Services Expansion

Amount Received: \$350,000

Account: Health Resources and Services Administration Health Facilities and Services

Recipient: St. Luke's Regional Medical Center Ltd

Recipient's Address: 190 E. Bannock Street, Boise, ID 83712

Description: St. Luke's Health System is home to the only Children's Hospital in Idaho, providing unique full-service tertiary pediatric services between Salt Lake City, Utah, and Portland, Oregon, both more than 350 miles from Boise, Idaho. St. Luke's delivers over 25% of the babies born in the State. The Children's Health Services Expansion project provides an essential increase in capacity for Pediatric Medical/Surgical, Pediatric Intensive

Care, Neonatal Intensive Care, Pediatric Oncology, and Pediatric Surgical Suites and support area, to meet the needs of the rapidly growing population in the hospital's service area. Prior to the beginning of this multi-year project, each area was frequently full, requiring children to be placed in adult units or diverted to other and often very distant hospitals. The federal funding provided for the expansion project has resulted in expanding all units with state-of-the-art facilities and equipment. Funding received will assist with the purchase of equipment, including electronic medical record hardware and software programs and patient monitor technology for patient support and EMR connectivity to be used in the Medical/Surgical Pediatrics, Pediatric and Neonatal Intensive Care, Oncology, Surgical Suites and support areas. The hospital is spending millions on the expansion and federal funds will represent only a small portion of the project's total costs.

Project Name: Twin Falls Library Modernization Project

Amount Received: \$100,000

Account: Museums and Libraries in the Institute of Museums and Library Services

Recipient: City of Twin Falls

Recipient's Address: 201 Fourth Avenue East, Twin Falls, ID 83301

Description: The Twin Falls Public Library seeks to obtain a fully searchable database for its local historical newspapers. The Library has on 709 reels of microfilm of local newspapers from 1904 to the present. It is difficult to use the microfilm because of its deteriorating physical condition and outdated format. There is no index; if an exact date is not known, patrons must browse through the microfilm by hand, which is very inefficient. These funds will be used to digitize and index 709 reels of microfilm of the local newspaper dating from 1904 through 2008. The searchable database will replace the deteriorating microfilm with a searchable format allowing patrons to search articles, pictures, and advertisements by keyword; view information in its historical context; preserve the look and feel of the original format; and print or email articles, photos, or ads of interest. The reference staff will be able to serve the community more effectively, both on-site and remotely, by digitizing and indexing the microfilm. This newspaper database will be an historical asset to library patrons and will provide an accessible and unique service to the community.

I appreciate the opportunity to provide a list of Congressionally-directed projects in the report accompanying the FY2010 Labor, Health and Human Services and Education and Related Agencies Appropriations on behalf of Idaho and provide an explanation of my support for them.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. BILL SHUSTER

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 24, 2009

Mr. SHUSTER. Madam Speaker, consistent with the Republican Leadership's policy on earmarks. I would like to submit the following:

Requesting Member: Congressman BILL SHUSTER (PA-9)

Bill Number: H.R. 3293—Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, FY2010

Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Projects

Project Name: Pennsylvania State University—Altoona, PA for facilities and equipment

Account: Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)—Health Facilities and Services

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Pennsylvania State University—Altoona

Address of Requesting Entity: 3000 Ivyside Park, Altoona, PA 16601

Description of Request/Justification of Federal Funding: \$320,000 for Pennsylvania State University—Altoona, PA for facilities and equipment

It is my understanding that funding for this project would be used for the expansion and renovations of the Pennsylvania State University—Altoona nursing lab and to purchase equipment to provide simulated clinical experiences.

This project is a valuable use of taxpayer dollars because simulation provides improved training for nurses and the opportunity to expand training programs to meet the critical demand for clinically trained nurses in Blair County, Pennsylvania and surrounding areas.

Project Name: Indiana Regional Medical Center, Indiana, PA for an electronic medical records initiative

Account: Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)—Health Facilities and Services

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Indiana Regional Medical Center

Address of Requesting Entity: 835 Hospital Road, Indiana, PA 15701

Description of Request/Justification of Federal Funding: \$350,000 for Indiana Regional Medical Center, Indiana, PA for an electronic medical records initiative

It is my understanding that funding for this project would be used by the Indiana Regional Medical Center in Indiana County, Pennsylvania to purchase equipment to increase patient safety, enhance efficiency, and reduce operational costs. Specifically, funding is expected to be used to implement an Electronic Medical Records system. These technology upgrades will greatly benefit residents of the Indiana County, Pennsylvania area.

This project is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because the use of Electronic Medical Records is a national priority and is necessary to improve service for patients.

Project Name: J.C. Blair Memorial Hospital, Huntingdon, PA for facilities and equipment

Account: Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)—Health Facilities and Services

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: J.C. Blair Memorial Hospital

Address of Requesting Entity: 1225 Warm Springs Avenue, Huntingdon, PA 16652

Description of Request/Justification of Federal Funding: \$180,000 for J.C. Blair Memorial Hospital, Huntingdon, PA for facilities and equipment

It is my understanding that funding for this project would be used by J.C. Blair Memorial Hospital in Huntingdon County, Pennsylvania to purchase equipment to increase patient safety, enhance efficiency, and reduce operational costs. Specifically, funding is expected

to be used to implement an Electronic Medical Records system. These technology upgrades will greatly benefit residents of the Huntingdon County, Pennsylvania area.

This project is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because the use of Electronic Medical Records is a national priority and is necessary to improve service for rural patients.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. TIMOTHY V. JOHNSON

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 24, 2009

Mr. JOHNSON of Illinois. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on project funding, I am submitting the following information regarding project funding I requested as part of Fiscal Year 2010 Transportation, Housing, and Urban Development Appropriations bill—H.R. 3288:

Requesting Member: TIMOTHY V. JOHNSON

Bill Number: H.R. 3288—Fiscal Year 2010 Transportation, Housing, and Urban Development Appropriations bill

Account: Federal Highway Administration—Transportation, Community & System Preservation

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: City of Urbana, Illinois

Address of Requesting Entity: 706 South Glover Avenue, Urbana, Illinois 61802

Description of Request: \$750,000 for the City of Urbana to construct pedestrian and bicycle related improvements along Goodwin Avenue from Gregory Drive to Springfield Avenue on the campus of the University of Illinois at Urbana—Champaign. The entire \$750,000 will be spent on construction costs related to the street improvements.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. BRETT GUTHRIE

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 24, 2009

Mr. GUTHRIE. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3293, the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010

Requesting Member: Congressman BRETT GUTHRIE

Bill Number: H.R. 3293

Account: DOL/ETA—TES

Recipient: Campbellsville-Taylor County Industrial Development Authority, 107 W. Broadway, Campbellsville, KY 42718

Description of Request: Provide \$500,000 to assist the organization with its job training goals. The funds will enable CTCIDA to work with the local Technology Training Center at Campbellsville University to provide technical skill development to the workforce.

IN HONOR AND REMEMBRANCE OF
SERGEANT 1ST CLASS JASON J.
FABRIZI

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 24, 2009

Mr. KUCINICH. Madam Speaker, I rise today in honor and remembrance of Sergeant 1st Class Jason J. Fabrizi who sacrificed his life while serving his country.

Sergeant Fabrizi was born in Cleveland, Ohio to Mary Miller and Timothy Hess, both of whom were United States Marines. Jason moved to Florida at the age of 10, and enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1998 after graduating high school. He served with the 3rd Squadron, 61st Cavalry Regiment, 4th Brigade Combat Team on the 4th Infantry Division stationed at Fort Carson, Colorado for the past 11 years.

Sergeant Fabrizi had completed three tours in Iraq before his deployment into Afghanistan. Jason was a highly decorated soldier; earning a Purple Heart, two Bronze Stars, two Army Commendation Medals, as well as several more honors throughout his service in the U.S. Army. Sergeant Fabrizi lost his life on July 14th, 2009 when his convoy was attacked in the Konar Province of Afghanistan.

Madam Speaker and colleagues, please join me in honor and remembrance of Sergeant 1st Class Jason J. Fabrizi, who will be remembered as a dedicated father and national hero by not only his family, but by the entire country. I offer my deepest condolences to his mother, Mary Miller; father, Timothy Hess; wife, Kristi Kool; three sons, Jason Allen, Tyler Jacob and Layne Timothy; and daughter, Reagan, who is due in two months.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. LEE TERRY

OF NEBRASKA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 24, 2009

Mr. TERRY. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding an earmark I received as part of the Labor, Health and Human Services Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2010, H.R. 3293.

My Congressional District received \$500,000 to purchase core research equipment at Creighton University. Creighton University is located at 2500 California Plaza, Omaha, NE 68178. This funding will support several core research facilities for shared use among research faculty, including basic scientists and clinical researchers. These facilities provide university biomedical researchers opportunities for inter-disciplinary collaboration and interaction. The development of team research projects utilizing state-of-the-art technology and equipment offered in these core facilities has enabled Creighton to continue to increase their NIH research funding despite the downturn in the NIH budget.

Creighton's research community has designed the facilities to allow the free flow of information and collaborative work environments, thus expanding the possibilities of research and wisely using limited resources.

Grouping resources through core facilities has the distinct advantage of using the economy of scale by consolidating expensive equipment and technologies, providing access to state-of-the-art research tools and expanding the base of sponsored program opportunities through enhanced research infrastructure. Core facility resources are not duplicated and are made available to the entire university research community.

Research grants, funded by the Health Future Foundation, the Nebraska Tobacco Settlement Biomedical Research Development Grant (LB692), and the National Science Foundation's (NSF) Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCoR), have supplied Creighton University with the resources for the creation and expansion of Core Facilities in confocal microscopy, flow cytometry, genomics, morphology, and proteomics. Further, Creighton is developing a core facility for clinical genomics that will support a wide range of Creighton researchers. All Core Facilities are housed in the C.C. and Mabel Criss Health Sciences Complex on the university's main campus.

My Congressional District also received \$1 million for the purchase of equipment and construction of facilities at Creighton University. Creighton University is located at 2500 California Plaza, Omaha, NE 68178. This funding will support the three major health science programs housed in the dental sciences building, dentistry, occupational therapy and physical therapy. These programs provide educational opportunities for Nebraskans and manpower to meet the state's needs in those disciplines. Each of the programs also provides Nebraskans with a vital link to health care.

Following an in-depth analysis, Creighton University is undertaking a major capital campaign to provide the School of Dentistry with a new facility. The Dental Sciences Building will provide the School of Dentistry with a facility that helps them increase their capacity to serve as a national resource in dental education and a Nebraska resource for dental care.

The new facility will meet the needs of the student body, the needs of the Omaha community as well as the surrounding rural communities and states that Creighton graduates serve. In fact, through contractual agreements Creighton University is THE state dental school for Idaho, Utah and Wyoming. This will allow Creighton to remain competitive among peer institutions and recruit and retain the best students and faculty while providing services to under-served communities who rely on university dental clinics for basic dental health services.

I am confident this funding serves an appropriate federal purpose and works to better the lives of the people of Nebraska and the nation.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. LYNN JENKINS

OF KANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 24, 2009

Ms. JENKINS. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of